**Elimination of Child Labour**

† 2679. SHRI LAJPAT RAI: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have formulated any schemes for elimination of child labour during the Ninth Five Year Plan;

(b) the funds allocated for implementation of these, schemes during the Ninth Five Year Plan period; and

(c) whether any survey has been conducted to assess the extent of child labour eliminated and if so. the outcome thereof?

THE MINIS! ER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI MUNI LALL): (a) Government of India has been implementing two Schemes during the Ninth Five Year plan period, namely the scheme of Nationai Child Labour Projects (NCLPs) and the Scheme of Grants-in-aid to Voluntary Organisations.

(b) The amount allocated for child labour schemes during Ninth Five Year Plan is Rs. 249.60 crore.

(c) National Child Labour Projects have been sanctioned in 100 districts in the country for coverage of 2.10 lakh children. While a snrvey to assess the extent to which child labour has been eradicated has not been conducted, periodic reports from projects indicate that, under the scheme of NCLP about 53,000 child labour have been mainstreamed into the formal education system.

**Growth rate of Employment Opportunities**

2680. SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH LALAN':
SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state

(a) whethei it is a fact that Government have made an assessment regarding the annual growth rate of additional employment opportunities created in the country during the nineties;

(b) if so, the rate thereof; and

(c) whether Government have made an assessment regarding the annual rate of increase in the number of job seeker youths, males and females, in the country during the above period; if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI MUNI LALL): (a) and (b) Estimates of employment are obtained from the labour force surveys carried out by the National Sample Survey Organisation from time to time. As per the Survey carried out during 1993-94 and 1999-2000 che annual average growth rate of

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